

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the first paragraph beginning at page 1, line 7, after the heading "**PRIORITY**" with the following new paragraph:

--This is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/795,933, filed February 28, 2001, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/518,732, filed March 3, 2000, both of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. --

Amendments to the Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A process for spinning a stable partially oriented yarn, comprising extruding a polyester polymer through a spinneret at a spinning speed less than 2600 mpm and a temperature between about 250 °C and 270°C, wherein said polymer comprises at least 85 mole % poly(trimethylene terephthalate) wherein at least 85 mole % of repeating units consist of trimethylene units, and wherein said polymer has an intrinsic viscosity of at least 0.70 dL/g.

Claim 2 (original): The process of claim 1, wherein the spinning speed is between 1650 mpm and 2300 mpm.

Claims 3 through 20 (currently cancelled).

Claim 21 (new): The process of claim 1, wherein said stable partially oriented yarn has an elongation to break of at least 110%.

Claim 22 (new): The process of claim 1, wherein said stable partially oriented yarn has an elongation to break of at least 120%.

Claim 23 (new): The process of claim 1, wherein said stable partially oriented yarn has an elongation to break of at least 130%.